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Foreign Minister Muniz telephoned me at 0130 hours today to say he had just come from a conference at Olivos with President Guido and 3 Service secretaries. He wished to reaffirm what he had told me last night (CF EMBTEL 1159) and to say that Argentine decision to cooperate in every way with US during present crisis had complete Presidential Authority and instructions had been given to Service Chiefs to be prepared to provide such military assistance as might be appropriate.

In consequence these assurances would seem to go far to meet objective DEPCIRTEL 723 but in any event I propose to call on Admiral Kolungia, Secretary of Navy, and discuss possibility of Argentine Naval Participation. I should suppose one of Argentine Fletcher Class DD's might fit in with our requirements. If DOD has suggestions to offer, please instruct urgently.

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